Remarks

In response to the written restriction requirement dated August 11, 2006, the applicants hereby elect Group V (claims to a phage clone). Language from claim 17 (originally in group V) and claim 4 is combined into claim 1; claims 4 and 17 are canceled accordingly. Claims 7, 8, 18, and 19 are canceled without prejudice as being drawn to non-elected subject matter. Thus, claims 1-3, 5-6, and 9-16 are before the examiner for substantive consideration. All of these claims (by amendment or otherwise) should be within the elected Group. The applicants elect SEQ ID NOs:9 and 10 as the species for initial examination purposes.

Although it is believed that no fees are due in connection with this Election, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Deposit Account 19-0065.

The applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

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